GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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TEACHING STAFF IN AIIMS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether teaching in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi has suffered due to shortage of teaching staff;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether very little resource has been allocated for research work;

(d) whether a large complement of teaching staff is employed on ad hoc basis in AIIMS, New Delhi;

(e) whether out of 339 research projects undertaken during the decade 1991-2000, final reports in respect of only 153 projects have been received;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a)to(d): Ad-hoc appointment at the level of Assistant Professors at the Institute has been restored to due to interim orders passed by the Hon`ble High Court of Delhi on 15.11.1994 in a Civil Writ Petition filed by the Faculty of AIIMS on the issue of reservation in faculty posts. At present about 120 Assistant Professors are working on ad-hoc basis. The Hon`ble High Court has since delivered the judgement on 26.11.2001 and as directed by the Hon`ble High Court, AIIMS will take necessary steps to fill up the all posts of Assistant Professor on regular basis.

(e)to(f): Research funds are received by AIIMS through extramural grants amounting to Rs.12 to 15 crores every year for research purposes from national/international agencies like the DST, Indian Council of Medical Research, UNICEF, WHO etc. The Institute also has been using a major part of its plan allocation on the purchase of machine & equipment and many of the machines bought are for both research purposes and patient care. AIIMS has undertaken 348 projects during the decade 1991-2000 out of them reports of only 99 are awaited, most of which relate to areas where one project feeds/overlap to the next one.